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NEWS RELEASE



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SOUTHEAST ALASKA SALMON PURSE SEINE FISHERY ANNOUNCEMENT

Sitka. . . The Alaska Department of Fish and Game announced today that the following areas will be open to purse seining during the times and in the areas listed below:

District 1

The following area will be open to purse seining from **5:00 a.m., Monday, August 6, through 8:00 p.m., Tuesday, August 7, 2012:**

Section 1-F: will be open south of the northernmost tip of Cone Point located at 55°14.91' N. latitude with the following restrictions:

Boca de Quadra: will be closed east of a line from Quadra Point to Kah Shakes Point;

Nichols Passage: will be closed north of the latitude of the southernmost tip of Dall Head.

District 2

The following area will be open to purse seining from **5:00 a.m., Monday, August 6, through 8:00 p.m., Tuesday, August 7, 2012:**

District 2: will be open **south of Figgins Point (just north of Lyman Anchorage) located at 55°33.13' N. latitude** with the following restrictions:

Cholmondeley Sound and contiguous waters: all waters will be closed south of a line from the northernmost tip of Chasina Point to Skin Island Light to the northernmost tip of Clover Point;

Cleveland Peninsula: will be closed within one and one-half nautical miles of the Cleveland Peninsula Shoreline;

Kasaan Bay, Skowl Arm, and contiguous waters: all waters will be closed west of the longitude of Skowl Point Light;

Moir Sound: will be closed west of the easternmost entrance of Menefee Anchorage located at 132°00.35' W. longitude.

District 3

The following areas will be open to purse seining from **5:00 a.m., Monday, August 6, through 8:00 p.m., Tuesday, August 7, 2012:**

Section 3-A: will be open south of the northernmost tip of Webster Point located at 54°58.28' N. latitude with the following restrictions:

Dall Island Shore: will be closed west of a line from the southernmost tip of Reef Point to Shoe Island Light to Datzkoo Point;

Klakas Inlet, Hunter Bay, and contiguous waters: will be closed north and east of a line running from a point near Ruth Cutoff located at 54°54.40' N. latitude, 132°24.77' W. longitude, to the southernmost tip of Klakas Island, to a point at 54°49.68' N. latitude, 132°20.50' W. longitude (located approximately one-half nautical mile east of Guide Rock);

Kassa Inlet: will be closed east of the longitude of Kassa Point.

Section 3-B: will be open west of a line from Cape Lynch to the northernmost tip of Point Animas to the southernmost tip of Point Arboleda.

District 4

The following area will be open to purse seining from **5:00 a.m., Monday, August 6, through 8:00 p.m., Tuesday, August 7, 2012:**

District 4: will be open.

District 5

The following areas will be open to purse seining from **5:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., Monday, August 6, 2012:**

Port Beauclerc: will be open west of line from Point Amelius to Boulder Point with the following restriction:

Port Beauclerc: normal markers.

Shakan Bay: will be open east of the longitude of Station Island Light with the following restriction:

Calder Bay and El Capitan Passage: normal markers.

District 6

The following area will be open to purse seining from **5:00 a.m., Monday, August 6, through 8:00 p.m., Tuesday, August 7, 2012:**

Section 6-D: will be open south and east of a line from a point on the east side of Cooney Cove at 56°04.00' N. latitude, 132°33.60' W. longitude to Point Stanhope to Narrow Point with the following restrictions:

Burnett Inlet: will be closed north and east of the southernmost tip of Fawn Island;

Mosman Inlet: will be closed north of the latitude of Marble Point.

District 7

The following area will be open to purse seining from **5:00 a.m., Monday, August 6, through 8:00 p.m., Tuesday, August 7, 2012:**

Section 7-B: will be open.

District 10

The following area will be open to purse seining from **5:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m., Tuesday, August 7, 2012:**

District 10: will be open within three nautical miles of the Admiralty Island Shoreline with the following restrictions:

Gambier Bay: will be closed north of the latitude of Gambier Island Light with all waters of Snug Cove closed;

Pybus Bay: will be closed north of a line from the southernmost tip of Elliot Island to Point Pybus.

District 12

The following area will be open to purse seining from **5:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m., Monday, August 6, 2012:**

Section 12-A: will be open in the following area:

Point Augusta: **will be open** within one-half nautical mile from the Chichagof Island shoreline south of 58°03.00' N. latitude and north of a regulatory marker at 58°01.50' N. latitude (located one nautical mile south of Point Augusta Light).

The following area will be open to purse seining from **5:00 a.m., Monday, August 6, through 8:00 p.m., Tuesday, August 7, 2012:**

Section 12-A: will be open in the following area:

Hidden Falls THA: will be open in the waters of Chatham Strait within the boundaries of a line from South Point, as indicated by a marker at 57°16.28' N. latitude, 134°51.78' W. longitude to a point offshore at 57°16.28' N. latitude, 134°49.82' W. longitude, then running south to a point offshore at 57°06.76' N. latitude, 134°45.70' W. longitude then due west to a point on the Baranof Island shoreline at 57°06.76' N. latitude, 134°47.50' W. longitude with the following restriction:

Kasnyku Bay: will be closed west of a line from a point on the Baranof Island shoreline at **57°13.18' N. latitude, 134°51.88' W. longitude to 57°13.09' N. latitude, 134°52.03' W. longitude** to the northernmost point of an unnamed island at 57°12.91' N. latitude, 134°51.50' W. longitude, then due south to the Baranof Island shoreline.

District 13

The following areas will be open to purse seining from **5:00 a.m., Monday, August 6, through 8:00 p.m., Tuesday, August 7, 2012:**

Section 13-A: will be open in the following areas:

Portlock Harbor, Ogden Passage, Smooth Channel, Black Bay, Khaz Bay, Lake Anna, Sisters Lake and Slocum Arm: will be open **north of 57°32.86' N. latitude** and east of a line from Khaz Point to Ninefoot Shoal Light to the southernmost tip of Herbert Graves Island to Point Hogan to the light

located on the southern tip of Hill Island and then due north to the Chichagof Island shoreline with the following restrictions:

Black Bay: will be closed east of 136°08.37' W. longitude;

Klag Bay: will be closed north of Rose Point;

Ford Arm: will be closed north and east of a line from Trap Point to a point on the Chichagof Island shoreline at 57°32.86' N. latitude, 136°00.13' W. longitude.

Salisbury Sound and Peril Strait: will be open east of the longitude of Kalinin Point and south of the latitude of **Sergius Point Light** with the following restrictions:

Fish Bay: will be closed east of 135°34.12' W. longitude;

St. John Baptist Bay: will be closed east of the longitude of Zeal Point;

Sukoi Inlet: will be closed south of a line from Hayward Point to Sukoi Point.

Lisianski Strait: will be open north of the latitude of Point Theodore and south of the latitude of Rock Point Light with the following restriction:

Stag Bay: will be closed east of 136°21.41' W. longitude.

Lisianski Inlet: will be closed.

Section 13-B: will be open in the following areas:

Sitka Sound and contiguous waters: will be open north of a line from Inner Point on the Kruzof Island shoreline at 57°05.50' N. latitude, 135°34.28' W. longitude to Makhnati Rock Light to Surf Rock to Simpson Rock Light to Tsaritsa Rock Light to Silver Point with the following restrictions:

Silver Bay: will be closed east of a line from Entry Point Light to a point on the Baranof Island shoreline at 57°01.58' N. latitude, 135°14.58' W. longitude;

Camp Coogan Bay: will be closed east of 135°14.78' W. longitude;

Crescent Bay: will be closed in all waters of Crescent Bay enclosed by a line from the east end of the John O'Connell Bridge to the Twins Light to the southernmost tip of **Guertin Island**;

Starrigavin Bay: will be closed east of a line from Harbor Point to a point on the Baranof Island shoreline at 57°08.50' N. latitude, 135°22.63' W. longitude;

Olga Strait: will be closed north of 57°11.00' N. latitude and south of the latitude of Creek Point.

West Crawfish Inlet and Shamrock Bay: will be open east of 135°16.00' W. longitude and south of 56°50.00' N. latitude.

Chinook Salmon Landing Restrictions: for the Kendrick Bay THA and fishing areas open outside of Terminal Harvest Areas, Chinook salmon 28 inches or greater in length **may be retained** and sold. Chinook salmon greater than 21 inches and less than 28 inches may be retained but not sold. Chinook salmon 21 inches or less may be retained and sold. All Chinook salmon harvested in the Hidden Falls,

Anita Bay, and Neets Bay THAs may be retained and sold. All Chinook salmon harvested in the Deep Inlet THA must be retained, must be reported on fish tickets, and may be sold.

This will be the final Point Augusta Index fishery for the 2012 season.

Including estimated pink salmon harvests report for the August 2-3 fishing period, total pink salmon harvested by seine gear is now 5.2 million.

The next seine announcement will be issued on **Wednesday, August 8, 2012.**

Copies of the “2012 Southeast Alaska Purse Seine Fishery Management Plan” may be obtained at department area offices listed below and can be downloaded on the department’s website at:
http://www.adfg.alaska.gov/index.cfm?adfg=commercialbyareasoutheast.salmon_managementplans.

The Emergency Order corresponding with this news release is EO 1S6012.

Southeast Alaska Purse Seine Harvest Estimates
Statistical Week 31 (midweek)
Preliminary Estimates compiled August 4, 2012

Area	NUMBERS OF SALMON						Boats
	King	Red	Coho	Pink	Chum	Total	
District 1	-	2,700	3,000	550,000	20,000	575,700	45
District 2	-	6,500	8,000	750,000	20,000	784,500	45
District 4	-	5,500	10,000	340,000	16,000	371,500	27
Section 7-B	-	500	1,000	230,000	25,000	256,500	20
District 10	-	500	300	80,000	3,000	83,800	19
Section 13-A	-	320	420	112,000	9,700	122,440	16
Section 13-B	-	50	50	167,000	7,800	174,900	14
Hidden Falls THA	250	60	30	7,700	51,000	59,040	14
	250	16,130	22,800	2,236,700	152,500	2,428,380	200

Area	FISH PER BOAT					
	King	Red	Coho	Pink	Chum	Total
District 1	-	60	67	12,222	444	12,793
District 2	-	144	178	16,667	444	17,433
District 4	-	204	370	12,593	593	13,759
Section 7-B	-	25	50	11,500	1,250	12,825
District 10	-	26	16	4,211	158	4,411
Section 13-A	-	20	26	7,000	606	7,653
Section 13-B	-	4	4	11,929	557	12,493
Hidden Falls THA	18	4	2	550	3,643	4,217

District 3: confidential.

Section 13-A: does not include Lisianski.

Section 13-B: includes Deep Inlet.

Anita Bay THA: 250,000 chums and 5,500 kings harvested to date.

Kendrick Bay THA: 200,000 chums harvested to date.

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